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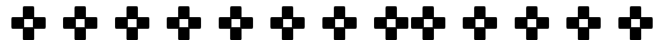
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**MINISTRY DIRECTORY
2010-2011**

The following is a guide to parish ministries, committees and organizations at Saint Patrick's Parish. For more detailed information, please feel free to call the contact person listed in this booklet or the parish office at 647-5035, during regular office hours.



PARISH STAFF & OFFICE

Pastor:	Father John Lemire
Permanent Deacon:	Deacon Larry Duke
Coordinator of Programs:	Paulette Rostad
Parish Secretary:	Anita Herd
Office Hours:	The secretary is in the Parish Office Wednesday to Friday from 9:00 AM - noon and 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. (Office is located at 81 Maple Street North, New Liskeard)
Parish Email:	omphoffice@gmail.com
Sunday Mass Times:	Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Weekday Mass Times:	See Sunday bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Before Saturday Mass or call Fr. John to set an appointment.

PARISH SERVICES ONLY A CALL AWAY

- Need a copy of your sacramental certificate?
- Want to have a Mass offered for someone?
- Have an announcement for the bulletin?
- New to the Parish and want to register?
- Want Sunday offering envelopes?
- Need information about Parish activities?
- Want the weekly bulletin emailed to you?

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Pastoral Council: The Parish Pastoral Council is the thinking, praying, planning and coordinating body of all pastoral life in the Parish. It is to serve as a vehicle to encourage understanding and cooperation between the Parish Team and parishioners.

Parish Administration Council: The Parish Administration Council is mandated to review all parish finances and to advise the Pastor on all financial and personnel matters.

Catholic Women's League (C.W.L.): The Catholic Women's League is a national organization of Catholic women who are rooted in gospel values. The goal of the C.W.L. is to call its members to holiness through service to the People of God. The C.W.L. is open to all women of the Parish, sixteen years or older. The C.W.L. meets once a month. Contact Emilie Mercier (679-8814).



Knights of Columbus (K of C): The Knights of Columbus is an organized body of loyal Catholic laymen providing a fraternal association to serve and grow in their faith. Their activities include providing assistance to those in need, strengthening family life and defending the unborn and aged. The Knights of Columbus is open to all men in the Parish, eighteen years or older. The Knights of Columbus meet once a month (usually the third Tuesday of the month). Contact Norm Watchorn (672-5769)

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers: boys and girls, currently in grade four and up, who assist the priest during Sunday Masses and other liturgical services.

Adult Servers: men and women who act as altar servers for Sunday Masses, funeral liturgies, weekday Masses and other liturgical services

Eucharistic Ministers: women and men who because of their baptism, values, dedication, faithfulness to Mass and a deep belief in the Real Presence, have been mandated to administer the Body and Blood of Christ at Sunday Mass and other liturgical services

Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick and Shut-Ins: women and men who administer Holy Communion to family members or fellow parishioners who are sick and shut-in

Lectors (Readers): women and men who proclaim the Scripture readings to the assembly during Sunday Masses and other liturgical services

Music Ministers: women, men and youth who are willing to provide music for our weekend Masses and other special occasions- anyone with a musical talent or interest is welcomed!

Sacristans: women and men who volunteer to clean the sacred vessels, altar area and linens as well as set-up the weekend Masses

Ushers: men and women who assist at the weekend Masses and other special occasions by greeting people at the entrance, taking up the collection and assisting people in need during Mass

For all liturgical ministries contact Fr. John (647-5035).

CHILDREN & YOUTH

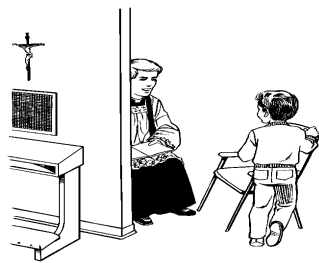
Let the Children Come to Me: This is a weekly religious program, geared for children in JK until they complete their First Communion, takes place at the 5 P.M. Mass on Saturday. It offers young people an opportunity to reflect upon the readings, at their age level, as well as apply the readings through a craft or activity. Adult leaders and youth helpers accompany the children in the Parish Meeting room where the program takes place. Contact: Melanie Purdy (679-5575).



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION



Baptismal Preparation: Our Diocesan policy for the Baptism of children calls for a preparation that consists of three group meetings in the parish hall, with other parents, prior to the celebration of Baptism. All Baptisms take place within the celebration of one of our weekend Masses. To register for the next preparation session, please call the Parish during regular office hours.



First Reconciliation (Confession): In the fall months, young people in grade three begin preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. The preparation involves a school, parish and home component. There are three parent meetings during the school year to assist parents in their preparations. Children who do not attend St. Pat's take part in three Saturday morning sessions during the fall. There is also a retreat day for all children. Children receive their First Reconciliation during the Advent Season in a Parish celebration.

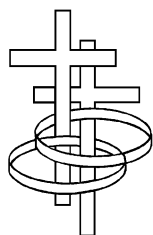
First Eucharist (Communion): After preparing for and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, young people (in grade three and up) are welcome to prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Communion. The preparation involves a school, parish and home component. There are two parent meetings during the school year to assist parents in their preparations. Children who do not attend St. Pat's take part in three Saturday morning sessions during the winter months. There is also a retreat day for all children. Children receive their First Communion during the Easter Season as part of a family celebration. Children must first receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Confirmation: Every second year young people in grades seven and eight are given an opportunity to participate in the Diocesan Program for Confirmation. The preparation involves a school, parish and home component. The young candidates are expected to participate in the Sunday celebration of Mass, six group meetings with their peers, a retreat afternoon and a community service project. Confirmation is celebrated during the Easter Season. The next preparation for Confirmation will begin in the fall of 2010.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.): RCIA provides a process whereby persons interested in the Catholic faith can learn more about our faith with the possibility of becoming full members of the Catholic Church. This process is also for those who have been baptized as Catholics and wish to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist and Penance. It is also open to Catholics who may wish a "refresher course" to deepen their faith. RCIA is a process that begins in October and continues until after Easter. During this period, candidates are provided with catechetical instruction and an opportunity to journey with others as they explore the Catholic faith.





Marriage: Couples wishing to receive the Sacrament of Marriage are expected to give the Parish at least six months notice. Couples should be free to marry (i.e. never previously married or have an annulment). Marriage preparation consists of: regularly scheduled meetings with the priest, completion of the FOCCUS questionnaire and participation in an Engaged Encounter weekend. Marriages, on Saturdays, are celebrated at 2:30 PM.

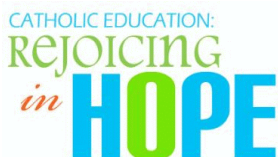
Sacrament of the Sick: The Sacrament of the Sick is available to all Catholics who are: seriously ill, seriously weakened by advanced age or scheduled for serious surgery. The Sacrament of the Sick is an opportunity to receive God's grace in a special way. It can help those who receive the Sacrament to trust in God more, fight against temptation and anxiety and help them bear their suffering bravely. The Sacrament of the Sick should no longer be seen as exclusively a Sacrament for the dying. Anyone who would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick should contact Fr. John.

ASSOCIATED PARISH GROUPS

Right to Life: Pro-Vie Tri-Town Right to Life is the local pro-life organization servicing our area. Members of Tri-Town Right to Life believe in the right to life of all individuals from the moment of conception until natural death, regardless of race, creed, gender, or degree of ability. This group is involved in a variety of activities including: assisting pregnant teens, providing educational resources about life issues and working at the political level to bring about protection for human life. For further information about becoming a member contact Kathie Garahan (647-6390).



Cobalt-Coleman Catholic Cemetery: We are very fortunate to have a Catholic Cemetery in the area. The Catholic Cemetery is located on Cemetery Road and is a beautiful and sacred space for the internment of loved ones. For the purchase of lots or any concerns dealing with cemetery issues, contact Gerald Cavion, cemetery manager (672-1609).



Saint Patrick's: Serving the needs of English Catholic families in the area, St. Pat's offers an excellent English learning environment for children JK to grade eight. For further information, contact Chris Collins, school principal (679-5575).

PARISH WEBSITE

Check out our Parish Website at www.ourmotherofperpetualhelp.ca. It contains information about the Parish, the weekly bulletin, past bulletins, the current liturgical schedule, and a host of other useful information and links.